

PROJECT 10070 RECORD CARD

<u>1. DATE</u>		<u>2. LOCATION</u>		<u>11. CONCLUSIONS</u>	
10 AM 52		Mendicino, California		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
<u>3. TIME OF OBSERVATION</u>		<u>4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION</u>		<u>5. CONCLUSIONS</u>	
2150 PDT		<input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Air-Vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical	
<u>6. PHOTOS</u>		<u>7. SOURCE</u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical (Meteors)	
		GCC		<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
<u>8. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION</u>		<u>9. NUMBER OF OBJECTS</u>	<u>10. COURSE</u>	<u>11. COMMENTS</u>	
3 seconds		1	W		
<u>12. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING</u>					
White light - color. Round shape. Straight line, high speed.					

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
HEADQUARTERS 44TH BOMBARDMENT WING (M)
Office of the Director of Intelligence
Lake Charles Air Force Base
Lake Charles, Louisiana

15 August 1952

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object

TO: Who It May Concern

At approximately 1025, 14 August 1952, I observed aluminous object headed due west at about 5000 feet altitude. At first the object undulated unevenly, seeming to hover in one spot which I judged to be the Mathieson Chemical Corporation; it would move from side to side, up and down, shoot ahead, and then stop. Finally, it disappeared into the distance, its color turning a darker and darker red, until it was gone.

This was definitely not any known aircraft. It was also observed by my son, [REDACTED] 14, and my wife, [REDACTED], 29. There was no trail or exhaust. We watched the object for about 50 minutes.

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lake Charles, La

ACTION

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FM CO ADIV EIGHT ZERO SIX LAKE CHARLES AFB LA

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTEL HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

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JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

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[REDACTED] DOI 5569. ATTN ATIAA-2C WRIGHT PATTISON PD
FLYOCRPT PD ICW AFL TWO ZERO ZERO DASH FIVE DTD TWO NINE APR FIVE TWO
PD UNIDENTIFIED BLY OBJ REPTD SIGHTED BY CIV LISTED IN PAR PAREN FIVE
PAREN FOL PD DESCRIPTION AS REQ BY PAR COCA OF CITED LTR COL PD PAREN
ONE PAREN SHAPE OF OBJ CLN COULD NOT BE DETERMINED AS IT WAS JUST A
MOVING LIGHT PD SIZE OF OBJ CLN VERY LARGE PD COLOR OF OBJ CLN VARIED FR
YELLOW TO RED TO YELLOW ETC PD NO OF OBJ CLN ONE PD AERODYNAMIC FEATURES
CLN NONE PD TRAIL OR EXHAUST CLN NONE PRPLN SYS CLN NONE APPARENT PD
SOUND NONE PD SPEED CLN AT TIMES WHEN OBJ WAS MOVING AWAY FR OBSR IT WAS
EXTREMELY FAST CMA OTHERWISE IT JUST HOVERED AND MOVED FR SIDE TO SIDE PD

MANEUVERS CLN OBJ AT FIRST UNDULATED UNEVENLY CMA UP AND DOWN CMA FR SIDE TO SIDE CMA THEN SHOOT AHEAD CMA AND THEN STOP PD OBSR JUDGED OBJ TO BE IN AIR OVER MATHIESON CHEMICAL CORP OF LAKE CHARLES CMA LA PD MANNER OF DISAPPEARANCE CLN OBJ CREW DARKER AND DARKER RED UNTIL IT WAS GONE PD PAREN TWO PAREN TIME OF SIGHTING IN TWO FOUR DASH HR CLOCK Z TIME CLN INITIALLY OBSR AT TWO TWO THREE ZERO HRS PD LGTH OF TIME OBSR CLN APRX FIVE ZERO MIN PD PAREN THREE PAREN MANNER OF ODSR CLN NAKED EYE PD FR AIR OF SURF CLN SURF PD NO OPTICAL OR ELECT EQUIP USED PD LOC OF OBSR DURING SIGHTING CLN STANDING ON LAWN AT THREE ONE NINE COLLEGE ST CMA LAKE CHARLES CMA LA CMA COORDINATES TWO NINE DEGREES THREE ZERO N NINE THREE DEGREES THREE ZERO W PD LOC OF OBJ W/RESPECT TO OBSR CLN OBSR WAS RACING WEST PD OBJ DIRECTLY IN FRONT PD ALT CLN APRX FIVE ZERO ZERO ZERO FT PD DIS CLN APRX THREE MILES PD IDENTIFYING INFO OF OBSR CLN ██████████ CMA ██████████ ST CMA LAKE CHARLES CMA LA PD OPSR IS DISTRICT ENG FOR ██████████ ENG CO OF LOS ANGLES CALIF PD OBJ ALSO OBSR BY MR ████████ WIFE CMA ████████ CMA AGED TWO NINE CMA AND ELDEST SON CMA ████████ CMA AGED ONE FOUR PD EST. OF RELIABILITY AND EXPERIENCE CLN ABOVE AVG PD PAREN SIX PAREN WEA AND WINDS ALOFT COND AT TIME AND PLACE OF SIGHTINGS CLN SKY CLEAR W/NO CLOUDS PD PAREN SEVEN PAREN ANY ACTY OR COND CMA METEOROLOGICAL OR OTHERWISE CMA WHICH

PROJECT 10073 WORKSHEET

I. GENERAL

1. DATE 15 Aug 52	2. LOCATION Mendocino, Calif.	3. TIME Local: 2150 Zebra: 140452
4. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE GROUND?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Naked Eye <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars <input type="checkbox"/> Telescope <input type="checkbox"/> Theodolite	<input type="checkbox"/> No
5. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED BY GROUND RADAR?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> By One Set <input type="checkbox"/> By Two Sets <input type="checkbox"/> By Three Sets	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6. WAS OBJECT OBSERVED FROM THE AIR?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Observed Object <input type="checkbox"/> Interception Attempted <input type="checkbox"/> No Intercept Attempted	<input type="checkbox"/> No
7. WERE AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED TO INTERCEPT?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A/C Scrambled <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> A/I Contact Made <input type="checkbox"/> No Contact Made	<input type="checkbox"/> No
8. DID OBJECT CHANGE DIRECTION AT ANY TIME?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Normal <input type="checkbox"/> Violent	<input type="checkbox"/> No
9. IF OBJECT WAS A "LIGHT", WAS IT: Steady	<input type="checkbox"/> Blinking <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steady	
10. LENGTH OF TIME IN SIGHT: 1-15 Seconds	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-15 Seconds <input type="checkbox"/> 1-5 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 Minutes	
11. REPORTING AGENCY (Unit Number and Mailing Address) 28 th ADD, Hamilton AFB, Calif.		

II. ASTRONOMICAL DATA

12. WHAT ASTRONOMICAL ACTIVITY WAS NOTED?		
13. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO ARCH DOWNWARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
14. DID OBJECT HAVE A TAIL?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
15. DID OBJECT APPEAR TO DISINTEGRATE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
16. TIME OF SIGHTING RELATIVE TO SUNRISE OR SUNSET (Data From Air Almanac) Night	<input type="checkbox"/> Night <input type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/> Sunrise <input type="checkbox"/> Sunset	140452

III. AIRCRAFT DATA

17. WERE AIRCRAFT NOTED IN AREA?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> One Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> More Than One Aircraft	<input type="checkbox"/> No
18. WAS ANY SOUND HEARD?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
19. WERE THERE INDICATIONS OF HIGH BACKGROUND NOISE?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
20. WAS THE OBJECT VIEWED ABOVE 45° ELEVATION?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE:			Minutes		
23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:					
a. b. c. d.	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted? Yes No	Describe Lighting

(attach overlay)

V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:	22. DETAILS OF REPORT:
<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> Unreliable <input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Doubtful <input type="checkbox"/> Hoax	<input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient to Evaluate
23. FINAL EVALUATION:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data For Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
24. COMMENTS:	

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FM CO 28TH AIR DIVISION DEFENSE HAMILTON AFB CALIF

TO JEPHQ/DIR OF INTELL HQ USAF WASHINGTON DC

JEDWP/AIR TECH INTELL CEN WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB OHIO

INFO JEDEN/CG ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS COLO

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██████████ 8TH CID/ 9257 FLYOBRPT JEWPA ATTN ATIAA-2C

JWPML ATTN: DIR OF INTELL.

(1) ONE SMALL, ROUND, WHITE LIGHT TRAVELING IN A STRAIGHT LINE AT
A HIGH RATE OF SPEED. NO SOUNDS HEARD. DISAPPEARED INSTANTLY.

(2) 2150 PDT, 15 AUGUST 1952 FOR 3 SECONDS.

(3) VISUALLY FROM THE GROUND.

(4) OBSERVERS LOCATED AT GOC POST, GEO REF COORDINATES MK 1515.

OBJECT PASSED HIGH OVERHEAD HEADING FROM EAST TO WEST.

(5) OBSERVER WAS DOROTHY VAGHAN, LITTLE RIVER AIRPORT ROAD, MENDICINO,
CALIF. WITNESS DANNY VAUGHAN, SAME ADDRESS.

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(6) WEATHER WAS CLEAR.

(7) OBJECT OBSERVED WAS POSSIBLY A METEOR. ✓

(8) NONE.

(9) NONE

(10) NONE.

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10 Aug 52 10.49

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IV. BALLOON DATA

21. WERE BALLOONS RELEASED IN AREA? Yes No

22. TIME SINCE SCHEDULED BALLOON RELEASE: 90 Minutes

23. POSSIBLE BALLOON LAUNCH SITES DOWNWIND OF SIGHTING:

a.	Location	Type	Launching Agency	Lighted?		Describe Lighting
				Yes	No	
a.	Line Charles Ln	R	OSDA WB		✓	
b.						
c.						
d.						

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V. EVALUATION

21. EVALUATION OF SOURCE:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Unreliable
- Extremely Doubtful
- Hoax

22. DETAILS OF REPORT:

- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Insufficient to Evaluate

23. FINAL EVALUATION:

- Was Balloon
- Probably Balloon
- Possibly Balloon

- Was Aircraft
- Probably Aircraft
- Possibly Aircraft

- Was Astronomical
- Probably Astronomical
- Possibly Astronomical

- Other: _____
- Insufficient Data For Evaluation
- Unknown

24. COMMENTS:

(PROJECT 10073 WEATHER DATA SHEET)

1. DATE OF OBSERVATION <i>15 Aug 52</i>	2. TIME OF OBSERVATION <i>1500 Z</i>	3. STATION OBSERVING <i>Takeo Airfield ATB</i>			
4. WINDS ALOFT:					
ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)	ALTITUDE (feet)	VELOCITY (knots)	DIRECTION (degrees)
0			25,000		
1,000			30,000		
2,000			35,000		
3,000			40,000		
4,000			45,000		
5,000			50,000		
6,000			55,000		
7,000			60,000		
8,000			65,000		
9,000			70,000		
10,000			75,000		
12,000			80,000		
14,000			85,000		
16,000			90,000		
18,000			95,000		
20,000			100,000		
5. WAS AN INVERSION LAYER NOTED? (If yes, at what altitude?)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
6. WERE ANY THUNDERSTORMS NOTED IN AREA? (If yes, at what quadrant?)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
7. CLOUD COVER: ____ tenths at ____ feet. ____ tenths at ____ feet.			8. VISIBILITY WAS <i>CANVAS</i> MILES.		
9. COMMENTS:					

HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE
OMAHA, NEBRASKA

DINC 350

28 AUG 1952

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) FLYOBRPT

TO: Chief,
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Ohio

The attached AF Form 112, Air Intelligence Information Report is forwarded as per instructions AFL 200-5, dated 29 April 1952, subject, FLYOBRPT.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Hal E. Bilyeu

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MAJOR, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

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SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY USA	REPORT NO. <i>TR-114-52</i>	(LEAVE BLANK)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT		
SUBJECT UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT		
AREA REPORTED ON LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA	FROM (Agency) 44DOI 806TH AIR DIVISION	
DATE OF REPORT 16 August 1952	DATE OF INFORMATION 14 August 1952	EVALUATION C-3
PREPARED BY (Officer) LT COL THEODORE I. PASCOE, 3363A	SOURCE PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH OBSERVER	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5, 29 Aug 52, msg 806ADIV 44DOI 16 Aug 52, & AFOIN-C/CC-2, 19 Dec 51		
SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)		
(1) Description of object: Moving ball of yellowish light, size impossible to judge due to darkness, left no trail or exhaust, method of propulsion unknown. No sound. Speed at times was slow, at other times, extremely fast, about 1000 mi per hour.		
(2) Time was approximately 2230 hours 14 August 1952. When first observed, object was undulating unevenly in air over Mathieson Chemical Corporation, Lake Charles, La., in that it moved up and down, from side to side, would shoot ahead suddenly, then stop in same manner.		
(3) Manner of observation: Naked eye. Altitude approximately 5000 feet.		
(4) Location of observer: Standing on lawn at 319 College St, Lake Charles, La. coordinates 29° 30'N, 93° 30'W. Observer was facing due west, and object was about three miles distant. Observer it could not have been figment of imagination as the light was steady, unwavering.		
(5) Identifying information of obser: Mr. [REDACTED] St, Lake Charles, La. Mr. [REDACTED] is a District Engineer for the [REDACTED] Engineering Company of Los Angeles, California. Object was also observed by wife, [REDACTED], aged 29, and eldest son, [REDACTED], aged 14.		
(6) Weather and winds aloft conditions at time of sighting: clear, no clouds.		
(7) To the knowledge of the observer, there was no activity or condition, meteorological or otherwise, which might account for the sighting.		
(8) There is no existence of any physical evidence such as fragments, photographs and the like, of the sighting.		
(9) No interception or identification action taken.		
(10) There was no air traffic in general area of the sighting at that time.		
2 1. Statement of Obser (sex) [REDACTED]		<i>E.C. Humphreys Jr Capt USAF</i> for - THEODORE I. PASCOE Lt Col, USAF Director of Intelligence
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